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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 14, 1999, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and comments in connection with the above-captioned application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At the beginning of the specification, please add the following

--Prior Related Applications--

This is a continuation of application serial number 08/572,488 filed Dec. 14, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,685,299, which is a continuation of 08/132,812 filed October 6, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,490,505, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 07/666,060 filed March 7, 1991, now abandoned.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete Claims 48-50 and 56-61.

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01 FC:103 108.00 OP
02 FC:102 78.00 OP
03 FC:117 870.00 OP

Please amend the following claims:

39. (Amended) A pulse oximeter comprising: